

RUNAWAY AT WESTERLY

Two Girls Thrown From Carriage When Train Frightens Horse—Both Cut and Bruised—Missing Magneto Cause of Lawsuit—Funeral of Mrs. Daniel Sullivan.

A great convenience and a saving proposition to the town is to have the six inch iron pipe laid in the extension of the road from Pleasant View, direct from the place of manufacture in Pennsylvania to Pleasant View, where the pipe is first loaded, where the work of the extension is progressing. This method of laying the pipe is being used in the extension of the road from Pleasant View to the old Pawcatuck Valley, which is being constructed by the Ashaway and Pleasant View Road Company. Large cars are received from New York, New Haven and the Railroad Company on the track at the Westery Quarry, and conveyed direct to destination.

These pipe-laden cars are thirty feet in length and have capacity of 100,000 pounds and are run on the regular lines without interfering with the passenger schedule. In order to do this it is necessary to hold the cars in Dixon square until the watch-bound cars come from Watch Hill, and to follow the Watch Hill bound cars to the Pleasant View station.

Fourteen carloads of pipe have arrived this week and the pipe is delivered by distribution along the trench line, thus saving expense of cartage. The work of laying the pipe is progressing satisfactorily with a working force of forty men. This force will be increased on Monday and the work rushed to completion as rapidly as possible, in ample time for service at Westkapung at the opening of the summer season.

Before Judge Oliver H. Williams, in the Third district court at Westery, Friday, there was a hearing on the case of Thomas Arnold against Charles H. Holdredge, an action in trover and conversion. It is an action to recover the value of a magneto, \$55. It was shown by testimony that an automobile owned by Arnold was overhauled and repaired in the Barber garage and that when the work was finished the automobile was taken to the Holdredge plant to be painted and varnished. It was claimed that when the automobile was towed to the Holdredge shop that the magneto was in place, but that when the painting job was completed and the car ready for delivery, the magneto was missing. The plaintiff, or his witness, made no claim that Mr. Holdredge had converted the magneto, but inasmuch as it disappeared or was stolen out of his possession, that he was personally responsible for the loss and should recompense Mr. Arnold. Two witnesses, Mr. Barber and son, testified positively that the magneto was in the car when delivered to Mr. Holdredge. The defendant testified that he never saw the magneto, or for that matter any other special part of the car, as his business was with the paint work and not the machinery. If the magneto was in the car when received for painting and was not there when the job was completed, it was plain that the magneto must have been stolen. Witnesses for the plaintiff testified that the magneto had been stolen, but were fully satisfied that Mr. Holdredge was not a party to any such act.

Attorney George B. McKenna, counsel for Mr. Holdredge, claimed that if the magneto was really in the car when it was placed in the Holdredge shop, it had evidently been stolen and, if this were true, Mr. Holdredge was

not responsible under an action of trover and conversion and therefore not required to make recompense for the loss of the magneto, and if liable in any way it was not in an action of trover.

Samuel H. Davis, counsel for Mr. Taylor, contended that no evidence had been introduced to show that the magneto had been stolen and that it was up to the defendant to show that it was stolen and when and how, and that the burden rested with the defendant to show proof of theft. Mr. Davis insisted that Mr. Holdredge, as bailee, was responsible for the magneto and liable for the loss. Judge Williams reserved decision.

There was a runaway in Canal and High street, Friday afternoon, that resulted in the injury of two young girls, the complete wrecking of a carriage, damage to another and injury to the runaway horse. The horse, attached to an open carriage, with Elizabeth Arnold and Elsie Mitchell, aged 15 and 12 years respectively, and who reside in the District No. 6 section of Westery, was being driven down Railroad avenue when the animal became frightened by a railroad train and started off at top speed, becoming beyond the control of the youthful driver although she had driven the horse for some time. The animal was believed to be of the most docile nature. In turning into Canal street the carriage struck a lumber reach, and the horse sped on. At the curve in front of The Ninigret, the carriage was in collision with a wagon that was standing near the curb and both vehicles were damaged. Then the runaway swerved into the middle of the street and the wheels of the carriage struck the trolley rails and overturned.

The two girls were thrown to the pavement and the horse continued down High street. The girls were taken into the Collins millinery store and were given attention. Both were severely shaken up and considerably cut and bruised. Their faces were cut and bruised and the mouth of the Arnold girl was cut and several of her teeth knocked out. The girls retained consciousness and after being treated for their injuries, notified John Arnold, owner of the horse and carriage and father of one of the girls, who came and escorted them home.

The horse was stopped by Policeman Ferguson in front of the Colonial club. There was a deep cut in the animal's right leg and there were several minor cuts. The carriage was completely wrecked, pieces being scattered from the corner of High and Canal streets to the point where the runaway was captured.

Local Laconics.

The custom of May day breakfasts in the churches still prevails in Christ Episcopal church, Westery.

John McArthur, manager of the Columbia house at Watch Hill, has arrived to arrange the preliminaries for the hotel opening.

Daniel Barber, son of Arthur L. Barber, ran directly from the rear of a trolley car in front of the Opie delivery truck. Before the operator could bring the truck to a standstill the boy was struck and knocked down, but was not seriously injured.

The funeral of Margaret, widow of Daniel Sullivan, who died at White Rock, was held Friday, with a mass of requiem in the church of the Immaculate Conception, Rev. Peter McOscar celebrant. Miss Sophia Canavan, of Portland, Me., sang Face to Face. Burial was in St. Michael's cemetery. The bearers were John Lynch, Denis Lynch, Bernard Welch and Donald Donohue.

Joseph Monaghan and Miss Dorothy Greenman were married Thursday afternoon by Rev. Patrick J. O'Leary in St. Michael's rectory. They were attended by Miss Eva Walsh of Potter Hill and Edward Mackay of Boston. After the wedding there was a reception at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Greenman in Race street.

PLAINFIELD

Play and Minstrel Show—Death of Mrs. Fred N. Kneeland—Interest in Rev. Louis Lalande's Lecture.

The four act drama, *Revenge of Sorrows* was given in Babcock's Opera house Friday evening by the Ringier dramatic company. Kraus's orchestra furnished music for dancing after the play.

There was a minstrel show in Babcock's Opera house Thursday night.

Parish Meeting.

The members of St. Paul's Mission held a parish and confirmation class meeting at Charles Alexander's Thursday evening.

Fred Briggs has moved his stable to the Babcock house on the Canterbury road, which he recently purchased.

Move to Davis Farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Hohman, formerly of Georgetown, have moved to the Allen E. Davis farm at Flat Rock, where they will establish a poultry business. Mrs. Hohman was formerly Miss Sadie Davis.

Auctions of Other Days.

The annual auction season is here and the older residents often think of the old-time auctions which were always in charge of the late H. C. Starkweather and were considered complete without the presence of "Uncle David" Treat of Griswold. "Uncle David" was a dealer in real antiquities and his storehouse was a genuine old curiosity shop, the contents of which he sold at reasonable prices. Many of the things that he bought and sold for a few cents in those days would be worth a fair sized check today.

The Congregational Church and Ecclesiastical society held a business meeting Friday night.

Death of Mrs. Kneeland.

Friends are pained to hear of the death of Mrs. Fred N. Kneeland (Miss D. E. Edwards) of Northampton, Mass., a former teacher in Plainfield academy.

Rev. Louis Lalande's Lecture.

French speaking residents from all the nearby parishes will be in attendance at the lecture of Rev. Louis Lalande, S. J., of Montreal, at St. Joseph's church, Sunday evening. By request, Rev. W. A. Keefe has fixed the hour of this public lecture at 8 o'clock to accommodate out of town people coming by trolley.

JEWETT CITY

Sunday morning at the Baptist church the subject of the sermon will be "Three Avenues of Religious Expression." Evening subject, "The Glorious Gospel." Rev. Allan Spidel, S. T. D., pastor.

Dr. Kane's subjects next Sunday will be at 10:45 a. m., "Discerning the Lord's Death," followed by the sacrament of the Lord's Supper and at 7:30 p. m., "The Bad Habit of Forgetting."

At the Methodist Episcopal church next Sunday morning will be held the celebration of the Lord's Supper. In the evening Rev. Samuel Thatcher will speak on the question "What Is There in a Name?"



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There seemed to be as heavy a frost as that of two years ago, May first.

News in General.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Browning and family moved early in the week from Montville to 62 Town street.

Mr. and Mrs. Emul Wollie of New York came Thursday to visit Mrs. Charles Young of East Town street.

Rev. M. R. French, pastor of the First Methodist church, will preach Sunday afternoon at Scotland Road hall.

Rev. F. John Bohanan and choir of St. Andrew's church, Greenville, will be at the Sheltering Arms Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Harard Tucker has returned to her home in Scotland after visiting her daughter, Mrs. Adelbert K. Gear of the Scotland road.

is the guest of the Misses Ballantine in West Stafford.

Clean-Up Week.

Next week will be clean-up week in Stafford, and all citizens have been invited to do what they can to assist in the removal of rubbish, ash heaps, tin cans and other unsightly things in the borough. Teams will be sent around to remove these things upon notifying the committee, which consists of C. F. Deekwith, Richard W. Ellis and James Sheppard.

Seniors' Trip.

The high school seniors, in company with Principal H. Miles Gordy, left town Friday morning for a three days' trip to New York. They expect to return Monday night.

Trolley Would Be Welcomed.

The movement which has been started in Putnam for a trolley line from that city to Stafford Springs is of interest locally. The five miles on this end of the road from Staffordville would do much toward making the road a paying investment. One of the best trolley lines in Connecticut connects Stafford Springs with Rockville and Hartford, and the proposed road, running across country from Putnam, would be a much nearer way for many people over that way to go to Hartford; Stafford people would also use this line to go to Worcester and Boston, as now they have to go round by way of Springfield. Between Staffordville and Stafford Springs there are five large woolen mills in operation, employing hundreds of hands. Every pound of freight, including coal, raw material and finished product, must be hauled overland by teams. The freight alone on this end of the line would be very heavy and the mill owners would welcome a change from the present antiquated methods of transportation. The project at this time appears feasible and it is hoped it will be carried out as contemplated.

STONINGTON

Lieutenant Rhoades Coming to Lecture

—Deeds Passed for Arion Society's Building.

Lieut. Henry Rhoades, an Arctic explorer and lecturer, is to lecture in the parlors of the Second Congregational church during May.

Scouts' Hike.

The Boy Scouts, in command of Scoutmaster James H. Stivers, took a trip Friday night and all enjoyed their tramp, the night being cool and pleasant.

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